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<b>DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION (37 CFR 1.63)</b>		Attorney Docket Number	09401-0100
		First Named Inventor	Ward et al.
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		Application Number	
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MECHANICALLY SEALED ADJUSTABLE GAS NOZZLE

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

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Title	Adjustable Gas Nozzle
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